

## DARE YA'.

Are you ready for the Power of Sour? Go on. Sink your jaws into that innocent looking candy shell and tell your taste buds to hang on. Come on. You won't be happy 'till you find out for yourself...Can you handle the high-intensity flavor of Shock Tarts'? Will you make it to the chewy center packed with sweet fruity flavor? Go ahead. Take it on. Dare ya'.



# Barbie



### **TRAILBLAZERS**

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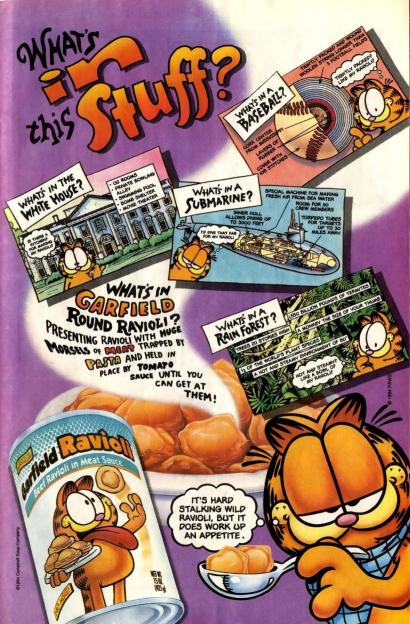
















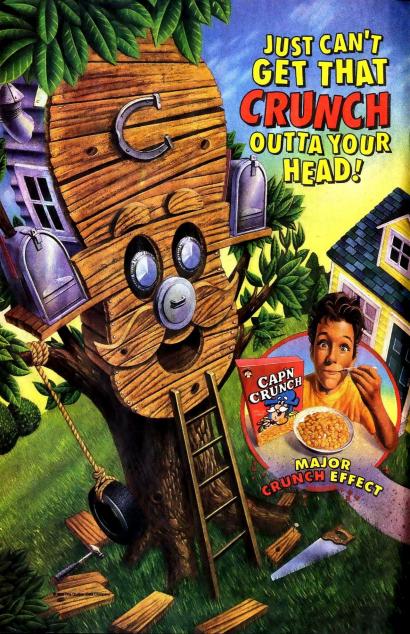




















































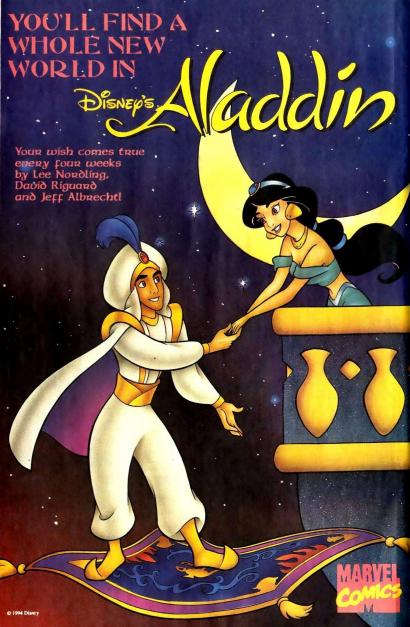




























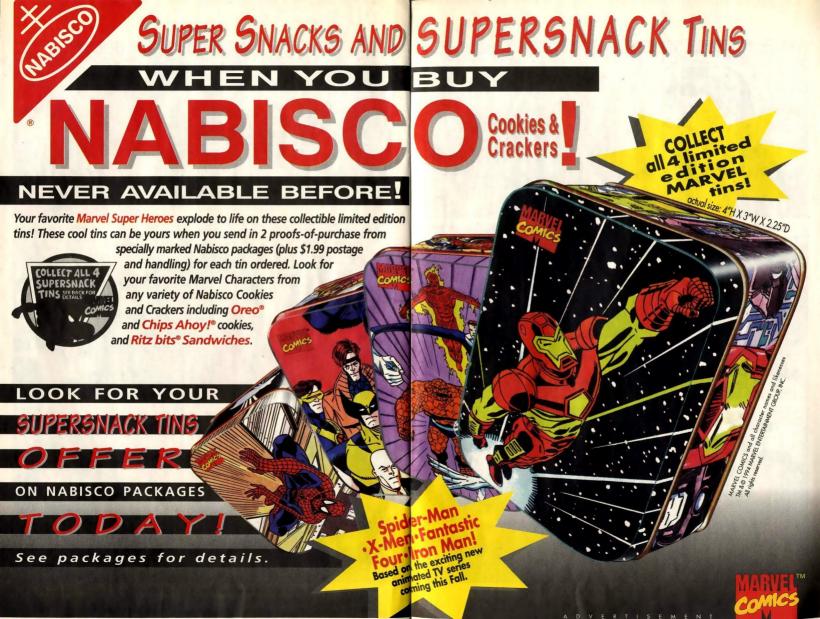






































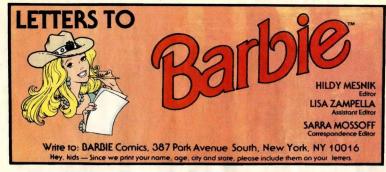












Dear BARBIE

I love your comics. My father gets them for me. I love you!

Please write back and tell me when you will publish some new BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION comics.

I hope that someday you will come to Puerto Rico. The capital of Puerto Rico is San Juan. It's beautiful, like you, Barbie! Gotta ao!

> Loreli Diaz Rivera, age 10 Bayanon, Puerto Rico

Although we can't respond to each and every letter we receive personally, Loreli, we can tell you that BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION are published every month! That means two brand-new Barble adventures every thirty days!

And thanks for the information on Puerto Rico! If any of our readers would like to know more about this lush island that is a United States territory, check out an encyclopedia or atlas. Ask a librarian or other adult for help!

### Dear BARBIE.

I just love BARBIE comics. I wish you were real. I love BARBIE because there is no fighting. Sometimes my comics get ripped, but I fix them.

> Alana Patrick, age 7 1/2 Woodbridge, NJ

We agree with you, Alana — we like read-ing BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION comics because we love Barbie, and because stories without violence make us smile!

### Dear BARBIE

Hi! My name is Molly. I love your comics. I liked the one where Skipper was writing about romance. Hike your araft projects, too.

Molly Marie Schiller Hope, MN

HI, Molly! Since romance is one of our readers' favorite topics, watch for more romantic stories in the future!

### Dear BARBIE

Hi! My name is Kaley. My mom's name is Vickie. My dad's name is Bob.

I really like your comic books. After I read them, my mom takes them to work and puts them in her kids' room. She works in a doctor's office, and the kids who come in to see the doctor get to read your comics.

Kaley Cordray Spokane, WA

What a great idea, Kaley! Sharing your BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION comics with others is a fun thing to do!

### Dear BARBIE.

My name is Courtney Tompkins. I have four of your comics. My brother introduced me to comics. He collects them. Now every time I go into a store, I go straight to the comics to find BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION comics!

> Courtney Tompkins, age 10 Magnolia, TX

We hope you always find BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION comics when you go to the store, Courtney! Just in case you don't, you may want to think about subscribing - that way you'd receive your comics through the mail each month and you'd never miss a single issue!

You'll find a subscription form in this very issue. Be sure to check with a parent or adult first!

### Dear BARBIE.

I love to get your comics. I have a club at school and we all love Barbie. In issue #38 you told us how to make a

greeting card. I made mine in a puzzle like it showed I have lots of Barbies. Well, I have to go

now. I'm going to play with my Barbies! Amber Greene

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We bet your greeting card looked great, Amber! Maybe other readers would like to follow your example, and form a club for rollow your example, and form a close for people who like Barbies! It's a great way to make new friends, enjoy old friends, and share your interest in all things Barbie!

### Dear BARBIE,

You are my best friend even though I don't know you. But I read your comics. They are great! My sister Cheri gets the comics about you from my Aunt Linda.

### Gotta go!

Micki Farnham, age 7 Ellicottville, NY

Hey, Micki! If you're reading about Barbie and her friends every month in BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION, then you do know her! She makes a great friend!

### Dear BARBIE

My name is Augusta Oliver. I'm only 6 years old, so my mama writes for me.

I own lots of Barbies and enjoy every one

of them. They are my best friends because I'm an only child. Hove for my mom to read BARBIE comics

to me. When we are through reading, I pretend the story with my Barbies. Please write a story about Barbie and Ken going to a ranch with horses

How long does it take Lisa Trusiani to write a story? How many Barbie stories has she written in her life?

> Augusta "A.J." Oliver, age 6 Beckley, WV

Good questions, A.J.! We asked Lisa and she said, To write a story it takes me about 10 days to 2 weeks and I'd say I've written about 100 or more stories!" We hope you checked out BARBIE #41, where Barbie visits a dude ranch!

### <del>nethernethernethernet</del> BARBIE'S BIRTHDAY CORNER

August brings sunshine and special smiles for some BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION readers! Many of our fans will celebrate their birthdays during this hot summer month!

> 8/4, Holli, 12, Deer Park, AL 8/7, Roshanda Cunningham, 10,

Jersey City, NJ 8/11, Christine Murphy, 10, Mahopac, NY

8/12, Erin Lindsey Pope, 12, Kissimmee, FL 8/12, Ashley Pyle, 6, Farmingdale, NJ 8/16, Jenny Rose Harbert, 9, Newfield, NY 8/17, Erica Smith, 9, Pleasanton, CA

8/21, Amy Wright, 9, Oxford, NJ 8/22, Liyana Jamill, 11, Malaysla

8/22, Ruthy Luna, 14, New York, NY 8/25, Laura Barenes, 11, Rexdale, Ontario, Canada

8/27, Jessica Holland, 12, Worcester, MA 8/29, Daniela Falcone, 9, Bronx, NY

8/31, Angie Sauve, 13, Moxee, WA 8/31, Erin Ferguson, 10, Bryan, TX

A very happy birthday to these and all the BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION readers celebrating their special days this month! If you would like to see your birthday listed here, send us your name, age, birthday, and full address to the address listed above. Be sure to send it to us six months ahead of time!

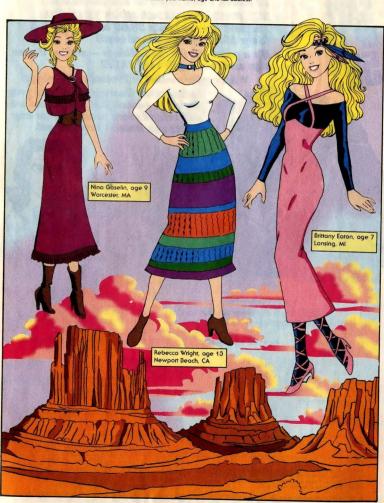
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### Barble

### HOW THE WEST WAS WON

While crossing the countryside in covered wagons and combing the coral on horsebod, we're nasted-up some downinght delightful dudd! Thanks to you, the BAR-BIE and BARBIE FASHION readers, this month Barbie will look wonderful in her western wear, wherever she roams! Although we only have room here to print a few fashions of the hundreds we receive, we love them all, and hope you enjoy these!

If you have a fashion for Barble, for any occasion, send it to us here at BARBIE, c/o Marvel Comics, 387 Park Avenue South, New York, N.Y. 10016. Please be sure to include your name, age and full address.





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